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Representative J. Dennis Hastert  
27 N. River Street  
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Dear Speaker of the House Hastert,

I am writing you concerning the matter of safe reliable communications. Our safety depends on it, and by safety I mean our lives. The organization that I am a member of the International Association of Fire Chiefs has developed a solution called the Consensus Plan.

The Consensus Plan will realign the current jumbled licensing of 800 MHZ systems into separate blocks of spectrum for public safety and wireless carriers. This will virtually eliminate public safety interference and provide additional spectrum to public safety. The Consensus Plan is the only proposed solution that meets the needs of public safety and that is comprehensive, funded, and technically proven.

Please help solve this problem at its root by realigning the jumbled spectrum. I request that you support the implementation of the Consensus Plan. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Dean Rhodes, Chief  
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